Docket No.: 043888-0494 PATENT

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 53080

Harunari SHIMAMURA, et al. : Confirmation Number: 4340

Application No.: 10/588,061 : Group Art Unit: 1795

Filed: August 01, 2006 : Examiner: RUTHKOSKY, Mark

For: ALKALINE BATTERY

## AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 20, 2009, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire June 20, 2009, please amend the above identified application as follows: